

Proclamation
Presented
**In Recognition of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual,
and Transgender Month**

WHEREAS, President Barack Obama declared June 2011 as LGBT Pride Month; and Hawai'i is dedicated to ensuring that our LGBT community and its allies have a safe and inclusive environment to celebrate diverse sexual orientations and gender identities; and

WHEREAS, June 2012 is the 43rd anniversary of the Stonewall riots, the birthplace of the modern fight for justice and equality for the global LGBT community and the 42nd anniversary of Pride Month; and

WHEREAS, LGBT Month recognizes that Hawai'i and the global Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community have made great strides in the recent years toward full equality; and

WHEREAS, LGBT Month reminds us that each June we commemorate the courageous individuals who have fought to achieve the great American promise that all people can live with dignity and fairness under the law; and rededicate ourselves to the pursuit of equal rights for all, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity; and

WHEREAS, LGBT Pride Month raises awareness about Hawai'i's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community and their contributions to Hawaii's unique and diverse tapestry in a positive and productive manner; and


WHEREAS, LGBT Pride Month encourages Hawai'i's LGBT community and its allies to celebrate during the month of June with events happening throughout the State including Honolulu, Kihei, Lihue and Hilo;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 2012 as

**"LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL,
AND TRANSGENDER PRIDE MONTH"**

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the achievements of the LGBT community and the advancement of equality.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i this first day of May, 2012.


NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i